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Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station, 2nd Floor
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

Re: NSTAR Electric, D.T.E. 00-70 — Compliance Filing

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Boston Edison Company (“Boston Edison”), Cambridge Electric Light Company (“Cambridge”) and Commonwealth Electric Company (“Commonwealth”, together, “NSTAR Electric” or the “Companies”) hereby submit for approval the calculation of the Standard Offer Service Fuel Adjustment in compliance with the December 4, 2000 Order (the “Order”) of the Department of Telecommunications and Energy (the “Department”) in the above-referenced proceeding.

The Order directs NSTAR Electric, effective January 1, 2001, to implement the provisions of the Standard Offer Service Fuel Adjustment “on an annual basis...using the most recently available twelve months of data...” (Order at 15). The calculation of the adjustment of 1.321 cents per kilowatthour (“kWh”) is set forth in Appendix A, hereto, and is consistent with the methodology described in the Companies’ September 1, 2000 Standard Offer Adjustment notice, which has been reviewed in this proceeding. As shown in Appendix A, through November 2000 (the most recently available twelve months of data), the Market Gas Price is \$3.565/MMBtu, the Market Oil Price is \$3.868/MMBtu and the resulting Fuel Adjustment factor is 1.3477. When this factor is multiplied by the January 2001 base Standard Offer Service rate of 3.8 cents per kWh, the Standard Offer Service charge is increased by 1.321 cents per kWh.

In accordance with the Order (Order at 16), upon approval of this compliance filing, NSTAR Electric will notify customers of this adjustment through bill inserts, will post the price on its Web site and will make the price available for those who call its toll-free telephone number. NSTAR Electric will work with the Department’s Consumer Division to finalize appropriate customer-notification bill inserts.

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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